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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA  
SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION

**IN RE GOOGLE PLAY STORE  
ANTITRUST LITIGATION**

THIS DOCUMENT RELATES TO:

*Epic Games Inc. v. Google LLC et al.*, Case  
No. 3:20-cv-05671-JD

*In re Google Play Consumer Antitrust  
Litigation*, Case No. 3:20-cv-05761-JD

*In re Google Play Developer Antitrust  
Litigation*, Case No. 3:20-cv-05792-JD

*State of Utah et al. v. Google LLC et al.*, Case  
No. 3:21-cv-05227-JD

Case No. 3:21-md-02981-JD

**STIPULATED ~~[PROPOSED]~~  
AMENDED PROTECTIVE  
ORDER**

Judge: Hon. James Donato

Nos.: 3:21-md-02981-JD; 3:20-cv-05671-JD;  
3:20-cv-05761-JD; 3:20-cv-05792-JD;  
3:21-cv-05227-JD

STIPULATED [PROPOSED] AMENDED PROTECTIVE ORDER

1 **1. PURPOSES AND LIMITATIONS**

2 Disclosure and discovery activity in this action are likely to involve production of  
3 confidential, proprietary, or private information for which special protection from public  
4 disclosure and from use for any purpose other than prosecuting this litigation may be warranted.

5 On December 10, 2020, the Court entered a Stipulated Protective Order in the following  
6 cases: Case No. 3:20-cv-05671-JD, Dkt. No. 110, approving Dkt. No. 106-1; Case No. 3:20-cv-  
7 05761-JD, Dkt. No. 117, approving Dkt. No. 109-1; Case No. 3:20-cv-05792; JD, Dkt. No. 78,  
8 approving Dkt. No. 76-1. On July 20, 2021, the Court entered an Order Determining Cases to be  
9 Related with respect to the case entitled *State of Utah, et al. v. Google LLC et al.*, Case No. 3:21-  
10 cv-5227-JSC, which consolidated that case with the aforementioned cases into MDL Case No.  
11 2981 (the “Litigation”). The Parties acknowledge that the Stipulated Protective Order requires  
12 amendment to govern the production by and to the Plaintiff States of Discovery Materials (as  
13 defined below).

14 Accordingly, the Parties hereby stipulate to and petition the Court to enter the following  
15 Stipulated Amended Protective Order (“Protective Order”). The Parties acknowledge that this  
16 Order does not confer blanket protections on all disclosures or responses to discovery and that  
17 the protection it affords from public disclosure and use extends only to the limited information  
18 or items that are entitled to confidential treatment under the applicable legal principles. The  
19 Parties further acknowledge, as set forth in Section 14.4, below, that this Stipulated Amended  
20 Protective Order does not entitle them to file confidential information under seal; Civil Local  
21 Rule 79-5 sets forth the procedures that must be followed and the standards that will be applied  
22 when a Party seeks permission from the Court to file material under seal.

23 **2. DEFINITIONS**

24 2.1 Challenging Party: a Party or Non-Party that challenges the designation of  
25 information or items under this Order.

1           2.2    “CONFIDENTIAL” Information or Items: information (regardless of how it is  
2 generated, stored or maintained) or tangible things that qualify for protection under Federal Rule  
3 of Civil Procedure 26(c).

4           2.3    Counsel (without qualifier): State AGO Attorneys, Outside Counsel of Record,  
5 and House Counsel (as well as their support staff).

6           2.4    Designated House Counsel: For each Party, up to two House Counsel who may be  
7 provided access to “HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL – ATTORNEYS’ EYES ONLY” information in  
8 this matter.

9           2.5    Designating Party: a Party or Non-Party that designates information or items that it  
10 produces in disclosures or in responses to discovery as “CONFIDENTIAL” or “HIGHLY  
11 CONFIDENTIAL – ATTORNEYS’ EYES ONLY.”

12           2.6    Disclosure or Discovery Material: all items or information, regardless of the  
13 medium or manner in which it is generated, stored, or maintained (including, among other things,  
14 testimony, transcripts, and tangible things), that are produced or generated in disclosures or  
15 responses to discovery in this matter.

16           2.7    Expert: a person with specialized knowledge or experience in a matter pertinent to  
17 the Litigation who: (1) has been retained by a Party or its counsel to serve as an expert witness or  
18 as a consultant in this action; (2) is not a current employee or current business consultant of a  
19 Party or of a Party’s competitor, or otherwise currently involved in competitive decision-making  
20 for a Party or a Party's competitor; (3) has not, within the 12 months preceding the entry of this  
21 Protective Order, been an employee or business consultant of a Party or a Party’s competitor, or  
22 otherwise been involved in competitive decision-making for a Party or a Party's competitor; and  
23 (4) at the time of retention, is not anticipated to become an employee or business consultant of a  
24 Party or a Party’s competitor, or to be otherwise involved in competitive decision-making for a  
25 Party or a Party's competitor. If, while this action is pending, a Party learns that any of its  
26 retained experts or consultants as defined herein is anticipating to become, or has become, an  
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1 employee or business consultant of a Party or a Party's competitor, or otherwise involved in  
 2 competitive decision-making for a Party or a Party's competitor, the Party learning such  
 3 information shall promptly disclose the information to the other Parties.

4 2.8 "HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL – ATTORNEYS' EYES ONLY" Information or  
 5 Items: extremely sensitive "Confidential Information or Items," disclosure of which to another  
 6 Party or Non-Party would create a substantial risk of serious harm that could not be avoided by  
 7 less restrictive means.

8 2.9 House Counsel: attorneys who are members in good standing of at least one state  
 9 bar, who are employees of a Party, or a Party's affiliate, and who have responsibility for  
 10 managing this action. House Counsel does not include Outside Counsel of Record, any other  
 11 outside counsel, or State AGO Attorneys.

12 2.10 Non-Party: any natural person, partnership, corporation, association, or other legal  
 13 entity not named as a Party to this action.

14 2.11 Outside Counsel of Record: attorneys who are not employees of a Party but are  
 15 retained to represent or advise a Party and have appeared in this action on behalf of that Party or  
 16 are affiliated with a law firm which has appeared on behalf of that Party.

17 2.12 Party: any party to this action, including all of its officers, directors, employees,  
 18 consultants, retained experts, Outside Counsel of Record (and their support staffs), and State  
 19 AGO Attorneys.

20 2.13 Plaintiff States or States: states, commonwealths, territories, or districts within the  
 21 United States that are plaintiffs in the action styled *State of Utah, et al. v. Google LLC, et al.*, No.  
 22 3:21-cv-05227-JD.

23 2.14 Producing Party: a Party or Non-Party that produces Disclosure or Discovery  
 24 Material in this action.

25 2.15 Professional Vendors: persons or entities who are not employees of a Party but are  
 26 retained to provide litigation support services (e.g., photocopying, videotaping, translating,  
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1 preparing exhibits or demonstrations, and organizing, storing, reviewing or retrieving documents  
2 or data in any form or medium and their employees and subcontractors).

3 2.16 Protected Material: any Disclosure or Discovery Material that is designated as  
4 “CONFIDENTIAL,” or as “HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL – ATTORNEYS’ EYES ONLY”.

5 2.17 Receiving Party: a Party that receives Disclosure or Discovery Material.

6 2.18 State AGO Attorneys: attorneys employed by the Plaintiff States’ attorneys  
7 general offices (including retained attorneys and contract attorneys), as well as their support staff,  
8 where the attorneys and support staff have access to internal State attorneys general office  
9 information technology systems in the ordinary course of their employment responsibilities and  
10 have been informed of their obligations to comply with this agreement. The obligation to inform  
11 support staff is met once a state AGO attorney informs a supervising member of the support staff  
12 about the obligations of this agreement.

### 13 **3. SCOPE**

14 The protections conferred by this Stipulation and Order cover not only Protected  
15 Material (as defined above), but also (1) any information copied or extracted from Protected  
16 Material; (2) all copies, excerpts, summaries, or compilations of Protected Material; and (3) any  
17 testimony, conversations, or presentations by Parties or their Counsel that might reveal  
18 Protected Material. However, the protections conferred by this Stipulation and Order do not  
19 cover the following information: (a) any information that is in the public domain at the time of  
20 disclosure to a Receiving Party or becomes part of the public domain after its disclosure to a  
21 Receiving Party as a result of publication not involving a violation of this Order, including  
22 becoming part of the public record through trial or otherwise; and (b) any information known to  
23 the Receiving Party prior to the disclosure or obtained by the Receiving Party after the  
24 disclosure from a source who obtained the information lawfully and under no obligation of  
25 confidentiality to the Designating Party. In addition, nothing in this Protective Order alters the  
26 rights and obligations of the parties under the confidentiality agreements or other protective  
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orders pursuant to which some Defendants produced documents in response to civil investigative demands by certain States, except as modified by the Stipulation and Order re: Documents Google Produced to the States in Response to Civil Investigative Demands (Case 3:21-md-02981, Dkt. #109). Any use of Protected Material at trial shall be governed by a separate agreement or order.

#### 4. **DURATION**

Even after final disposition of this Litigation, the confidentiality obligations imposed by this Order shall remain in effect until a Designating Party agrees otherwise in writing or a Court order otherwise directs. Final disposition shall be deemed to be the later of (1) dismissal of all claims and defenses in this action, with or without prejudice; or (2) entry of a final judgment herein after the completion and exhaustion of all appeals, rehearings, remands, trials, or reviews of this action, including the time limits for filing any motions or applications for extension of time pursuant to applicable law.

#### 5. **DESIGNATING PROTECTED MATERIAL**

5.1 Exercise of Restraint and Care in Designating Material for Protection. Each Party or Non-Party that designates information or items for protection under this Order must take care to limit any such designation to specific material that qualifies under the appropriate standards. At the reasonable request of any Party, the Designating Party must designate for protection, in a specific document or set of documents, only those parts that qualify for protection under this Order, so that other portions of the material, documents, items, or communications for which protection is not warranted are not swept unjustifiably within the ambit of this Order.

Mass, indiscriminate, or routinized designations are prohibited. Designations that are shown to be clearly unjustified or that have been made for an improper purpose (e.g., to unnecessarily encumber or retard the case development process or to impose unnecessary expenses and burdens on other Parties) expose the Designating Party to sanctions.

1 If it comes to a Designating Party's attention that information or items that it designated  
 2 for protection do not qualify for protection at all or do not qualify for the level of protection  
 3 initially asserted, that Designating Party must promptly notify all other Parties that it is  
 4 withdrawing the mistaken designation.

5 5.2 Manner and Timing of Designations. Except as otherwise provided in this Order  
 6 (see, e.g., second paragraph of section 5.2(a) below), or as otherwise stipulated or ordered,  
 7 Disclosure or Discovery Material that qualifies for protection under this Order must be clearly so  
 8 designated before the material is disclosed or produced.

9 Designation in conformity with this Order requires:

10 (a) for information in documentary form (e.g., paper or electronic documents,  
 11 but excluding transcripts of depositions or other pretrial or trial proceedings), that the Producing  
 12 Party affix the legend "CONFIDENTIAL" or "HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL – ATTORNEYS'  
 13 EYES ONLY" to each page that contains protected material.

14 A Party or Non-Party that makes original documents or materials available for inspection  
 15 need not designate them for protection until after the inspecting Party has indicated which  
 16 material it would like copied and produced. During the inspection and before the designation, all  
 17 of the material made available for inspection shall be deemed "HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL –  
 18 ATTORNEYS' EYES ONLY." After the inspecting Party has identified the documents it wants  
 19 copied and produced, the Producing Party must determine which documents, or portions thereof,  
 20 qualify for protection under this Order. Then, before producing the specified documents, the  
 21 Producing Party must affix the appropriate legend ("CONFIDENTIAL" or "HIGHLY  
 22 CONFIDENTIAL – ATTORNEYS' EYES ONLY") to each page that contains Protected  
 23 Material.

24 (b) for testimony given in deposition or in other pretrial or trial proceedings,  
 25 that the Designating Party identify on the record, before the close of the deposition, hearing, or  
 26 other proceeding, all protected testimony and specify the level of protection being asserted. When  
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1 it is impractical to identify separately each portion of testimony that is entitled to protection and it  
 2 appears that substantial portions of the testimony may qualify for protection, the Designating  
 3 Party may invoke on the record (before the deposition, hearing, or other proceeding is concluded)  
 4 a right to have up to 21 days after the transcript of the proceedings becomes available to identify  
 5 the specific portions of the testimony as to which protection is sought and to specify the level of  
 6 protection being asserted. Only those portions of the testimony that are appropriately designated  
 7 for protection within the 21 days shall be covered by the provisions of this Stipulated Protective  
 8 Order. Alternatively, a Designating Party may specify, at the deposition or up to 21 days  
 9 afterwards if that period is properly invoked, that the entire transcript shall be treated as  
 10 “CONFIDENTIAL” or “HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL – ATTORNEYS’ EYES ONLY.”

11 The use of a document as an exhibit at a deposition shall not in any way affect its  
 12 designation as “CONFIDENTIAL” or “HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL – ATTORNEYS’ EYES  
 13 ONLY.”

14 Transcripts containing Protected Material shall have an obvious legend on the title page  
 15 that the transcript contains Protected Material, and the title page shall be followed by a list of all  
 16 pages (including line numbers as appropriate) that have been designated as Protected Material  
 17 and the level of protection being asserted by the Designating Party. The Designating Party shall  
 18 inform the court reporter of these requirements. Any transcript that is prepared before the  
 19 expiration of a 21-day period for designation shall be treated during that period as if it had been  
 20 designated “HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL – ATTORNEYS’ EYES ONLY” in its entirety unless  
 21 otherwise agreed. After the expiration of that period, the transcript shall be treated only as  
 22 actually designated.

23 (c) for information produced in some form other than documentary and for any  
 24 other tangible items, that the Producing Party affix in a prominent place on the exterior of the  
 25 container or containers in which the information or item is stored the legend “CONFIDENTIAL”  
 26 or “HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL – ATTORNEYS’ EYES ONLY.” If affixing the appropriate  
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legend on a container is not feasible, the Designating Party shall find another means to identify the information, for example through a cover letter or other communication.

5.3 Inadvertent Failures to Designate. If timely corrected, an inadvertent failure to designate qualified information or items does not, standing alone, waive the Designating Party's right to secure protection under this Order for such material. Upon timely correction of a designation, the Receiving Party must make reasonable efforts to assure that the material is treated in accordance with the provisions of this Order.

## **6. CHALLENGING CONFIDENTIALITY DESIGNATIONS**

6.1 Timing of Challenges. Any Party or Non-Party may challenge a designation of confidentiality at any time. Unless a prompt challenge to a Designating Party's confidentiality designation is necessary to avoid foreseeable, substantial unfairness, unnecessary economic burdens, or a significant disruption or delay of the Litigation, a Party does not waive its right to challenge a confidentiality designation by electing not to mount a challenge promptly after the original designation is disclosed.

6.2 Meet and Confer. The Challenging Party shall initiate the dispute resolution process by providing written notice of each designation it is challenging and describing the basis for each challenge. To avoid ambiguity as to whether a challenge has been made, the written notice must recite that the challenge to confidentiality is being made in accordance with this specific paragraph of the Protective Order. The Parties shall attempt to resolve each challenge in good faith and must begin the process by conferring directly (in voice to voice dialogue; other forms of communication are not sufficient) within 14 days of the date of service of notice. In conferring, the Challenging Party must explain the basis for its belief that the confidentiality designation was not proper and must give the Designating Party an opportunity to review the designated material, to reconsider the circumstances, and, if no change in designation is offered, to explain the basis for the chosen designation. A Challenging Party may proceed to the next stage of the challenge process only if it has engaged in this meet and confer process first or

9           The burden of persuasion in any such challenge proceeding shall be on the Designating  
10 Party. Frivolous challenges and those made for an improper purpose (e.g., to harass or impose  
11 unnecessary expenses and burdens on other Parties) may expose the Challenging Party to  
12 sanctions. All Parties shall continue to afford the material in question the level of protection to  
13 which it is entitled under the Designating Party's designation until the Court rules on the  
14 challenge.

16           7.1     Basic Principles. A Receiving Party may use Protected Material that is disclosed or  
17 produced by another Party or by a Non-Party in connection with this case only for prosecuting,  
18 defending, or attempting to settle this Litigation, and such Protected Material shall not be used for  
19 any other business purpose, in connection with any other legal proceeding, or for any other  
20 purpose whatsoever. Such Protected Material may be disclosed only to the categories of persons  
21 and under the conditions described in this Order.<sup>1</sup> When the litigation has been terminated, a  
22 Receiving Party must comply with the provisions of section 15 below (FINAL DISPOSITION).

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1 The parties understand that some of the State AGO Attorneys prosecuting this matter are  
 2 also prosecuting antitrust enforcement actions against some Defendants in other venues. Nothing  
 3 in this Order or the Stipulated Supplemental Protective Order Governing Production of Protected  
 4 Non-Party Materials (Case No. 3:21-md-02981-JD (N.D. Cal.), ECF No. 44), including as  
 5 amended, precludes State AGO Attorneys with access to information subject to this Protective  
 6 Order from prosecuting such other actions, so long as they comply with their obligations under  
 7 this Protective Order and any protective orders or confidentiality agreements governing such  
 8 other actions. To prevent inadvertent disclosure, Discovery Materials produced to States in this  
 9 case will be housed in a separate database only accessed by State AGO Attorneys.

10 Protected Material must be stored and maintained by a Receiving Party at a location and  
 11 in a secure manner that ensures that access is limited to the persons authorized under this Order.

12 7.2 Disclosure of “CONFIDENTIAL” Information or Items. Unless otherwise ordered  
 13 by the Court or permitted in writing by the Designating Party, a Receiving Party may disclose any  
 14 information or item designated “CONFIDENTIAL” only to:

15 (a) the Receiving Party’s Outside Counsel of Record in this action, as well as  
 16 employees of said Outside Counsel of Record to whom it is reasonably necessary to disclose the  
 17 information for this litigation and who have signed the “Acknowledgment and Agreement to Be  
 18 Bound” (Exhibit A);

19 (b) State AGO Attorneys who have appeared on behalf of Plaintiff States in  
 20 this litigation, who are actively prosecuting the Litigation, or to whom it is reasonably necessary  
 21 to disclose the information for purposes of this litigation; State AGO Attorneys who have  
 22 appeared will maintain a list of Attorneys as well as supervisors of support staff subject to this  
 23 section;

24 (c) the officers, directors, and employees (including House Counsel) of the  
 25 Receiving Party to whom disclosure is reasonably necessary because they either have  
 26 responsibility for making decisions dealing directly with the litigation in this action or are  
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1 assisting outside counsel in preparation for proceedings in this action, and who have signed the  
2 “Acknowledgment and Agreement to Be Bound” (Exhibit A);

3 (d) Experts (as defined in this Order) of the Receiving Party to whom  
4 disclosure is reasonably necessary for this litigation and who have signed the “Acknowledgment  
5 and Agreement to Be Bound” (Exhibit A);

6 (e) the Court and its personnel;

7 (f) stenographic reporters, videographers and their respective staff,  
8 professional jury or trial consultants, and Professional Vendors to whom disclosure is reasonably  
9 necessary for this Litigation and who have signed the “Acknowledgment and Agreement to Be  
10 Bound” (Exhibit A);

11 (g) during their depositions, witnesses in the action that are not otherwise  
12 authorized to receive CONFIDENTIAL Information pursuant to Section 7.2(a)-(f) or (h)-(i) to  
13 whom disclosure is reasonably necessary and who have signed the “Acknowledgment and  
14 Agreement to Be Bound” (Exhibit A), unless the Designating Party objects to such disclosure or  
15 except as otherwise ordered by the Court. Receiving Parties shall give the Designating Party  
16 reasonable notice if they expect to provide a witness, during a deposition, with Protected Material  
17 pursuant to this Section 7.2(g). Pages of transcribed deposition testimony or exhibits to  
18 depositions that reveal Protected Material must be separately bound by the court reporter and may  
19 not be disclosed to anyone except as permitted under this Stipulated Protective Order.

20 (h) the author or recipient of a document containing the information or a  
21 custodian or other person who otherwise possessed or knew the information; and

22 (i) any current employee of the Designating Party.

23 7.3 Disclosure of “HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL – ATTORNEYS’ EYES ONLY”  
24 Information or Items. Unless otherwise ordered by the Court or permitted in writing by the  
25 Designating Party, a Receiving Party may disclose any information or item designated “HIGHLY  
26 CONFIDENTIAL – ATTORNEYS’ EYES ONLY” only to:

1 (a) the Receiving Party's Outside Counsel of Record in this action, as well as  
 2 employees of Outside Counsel of Record to whom it is reasonably necessary to disclose the  
 3 information for this Litigation and who have signed the "Acknowledgment and Agreement to Be  
 4 Bound" (Exhibit A);

5 (b) State AGO Attorneys who have appeared on behalf of Plaintiff States in  
 6 this Litigation, who are actively prosecuting the Litigation, or to whom it is reasonably necessary  
 7 to disclose the information for purposes of this Litigation; State AGO Attorneys who have  
 8 appeared will maintain a list of Attorneys as well as supervisors of support staff subject to this  
 9 section;

10 (c) Designated House Counsel of the Receiving Party (i) who has no  
 11 involvement in competitive decision-making, (ii) to whom disclosure is reasonably necessary for  
 12 this litigation, (iii) who has signed the "Acknowledgment and Agreement to Be Bound" that is  
 13 attached hereto as Exhibit A, and (iv) as to whom, at least 14 days prior to the disclosure of any  
 14 "HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL—ATTORNEYS' EYES ONLY" information, the Party that seeks  
 15 to disclose to Designated House Counsel has disclosed to the Designating Party (1) the full name  
 16 of the Designated House Counsel and the city and state of his or her primary place of work, and  
 17 (2) the Designated House Counsel's current and reasonably foreseeable future primary job duties  
 18 and responsibilities in sufficient detail to determine if House Counsel is involved, or may become  
 19 involved, in any competitive decision-making. If a Party objects to the Designated House  
 20 Counsel, that Party must do so in writing within 14 days of the identification of the Designated  
 21 House Counsel. The Parties shall meet and confer to try to resolve the matter by agreement within  
 22 seven days of any such written objection. If no agreement is reached, the Designating Party may  
 23 file a motion as provided in Civil Local Rule 7 (and in compliance with Civil Local Rule 79-5, if  
 24 applicable) objecting to the disclosure. For the avoidance of doubt, if the Designating Party has  
 25 moved the Court to object to the disclosure, no disclosure shall be made until the Court has ruled  
 26 on such objection. Documents designated as HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL—ATTORNEYS'

1 EYES ONLY may only be transmitted to Designated House Counsel through a password-  
 2 protected Secured File Transfer Protocol (SFTP), and the Designated House Counsel must  
 3 download and store such documents in a secure location that cannot be accessed by others, and  
 4 shall delete them within 14 days after receipt. Additional acceptable forms of disclosure of  
 5 HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL—ATTORNEYS’ EYES ONLY documents include: in-person  
 6 meetings where the documents remain in the possession of Outside Counsel; screen-sharing  
 7 technology; or through a document review platform with printing and downloading disabled.  
 8 Notwithstanding the foregoing, summaries, memoranda, drafts, briefs, court filings, expert  
 9 reports, outlines, and other attorney work product containing HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL—  
 10 ATTORNEYS’ EYES ONLY Information may be transmitted to Designated House Counsel via  
 11 corporate/firm e-mail accounts; provided, however, exhibits to the foregoing that are HIGHLY  
 12 CONFIDENTIAL—ATTORNEYS’ EYES ONLY documents may not be transmitted via e-mail.

13 (d) Experts of the Receiving Party (1) to whom disclosure is reasonably  
 14 necessary for this litigation and (2) who have signed the “Acknowledgment and Agreement to Be  
 15 Bound” (Exhibit A);

16 (e) the Court and its personnel;

17 (f) stenographic reporters, videographers and their respective staff,  
 18 professional jury or trial consultants, and Professional Vendors to whom disclosure is reasonably  
 19 necessary for this litigation and who have signed the “Acknowledgment and Agreement to Be  
 20 Bound” (Exhibit A); and

21 (g) the author or recipient of a document containing the information or a  
 22 custodian or other person who otherwise possessed or knew the information; and

23 (h) any current employee of the Designating Party.

24 **7.4 Purposefully Left Blank.**

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2 **9. SOURCE CODE**

3 (a) To the extent the production of source code becomes necessary, the Parties  
4 reserve their rights to modify this order as necessary to protect such materials and information,  
5 and the Parties shall meet and confer in good faith regarding such modifications. No Party will  
6 be required to produce source code until modifications to this order relating to the protection of  
7 source code have been entered by the Court.

8 **10. PROTECTED MATERIAL SUBPOENAED OR ORDERED PRODUCED IN**  
9 **OTHER LITIGATION**

10 If a Party is served with a subpoena issued by a court, arbitral, administrative, or  
11 legislative body, or with a court order issued in other Litigation that compels disclosure of any  
12 information or items designated in this action as “CONFIDENTIAL” or “HIGHLY  
13 CONFIDENTIAL – ATTORNEYS’ EYES ONLY” that Party must:

14 (a) promptly notify in writing the Designating Party. Such notification shall  
15 include a copy of the subpoena or court order;

16 (b) promptly notify in writing the person who caused the subpoena or order to  
17 issue in the other Litigation that some or all of the material covered by the subpoena or order is  
18 subject to this Protective Order. Such notification shall include a copy of this Stipulated  
19 Protective Order; and

20 (c) cooperate with respect to all reasonable procedures sought to be pursued by  
21 the Designating Party whose Protected Material may be affected.<sup>2</sup>

22 If the Designating Party timely<sup>3</sup> seeks a protective order, the Party served with the  
23 subpoena or court order shall not produce any information designated in this action as

24 <sup>2</sup> The purpose of imposing these duties is to alert the interested parties to the existence of this  
25 Protective Order and to afford the Designating Party in this case an opportunity to try to protect  
its confidentiality interests in the court or other tribunal from which the subpoena or order issued.

26 <sup>3</sup> The Designating Party shall have at least 14 days from the service of the notification pursuant to  
27 Section 10(a) to seek a protective order, unless a shorter period applies under the rules of the  
Court or other tribunal from which the subpoena or order issued, in which case such rules shall  
apply.



1 “CONFIDENTIAL” or “HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL – ATTORNEYS’ EYES ONLY” before a  
2 determination by the court or other tribunal from which the subpoena or order issued, unless the  
3 Party has obtained the Designating Party’s permission. The Designating Party shall bear the  
4 burden and expense of seeking protection in that court or other tribunal of its confidential material  
5 – and nothing in these provisions should be construed as authorizing or encouraging a Receiving  
6 Party in this action to disobey a lawful directive from another court or tribunal with appropriate  
7 jurisdiction.

8 10.1 If, under any public records or other relevant law any Protected Material is subject  
9 to any form of compulsory process in a Plaintiff State, or is demanded from a Plaintiff State, such  
10 State shall notify in writing the Designating Party whose Protected Material may be affected  
11 within 10 business days of receiving the process or demand and before producing Protected  
12 Material, unless state statute, or court order or other public adjudicatory body requires that the  
13 State produce the Protected Material in a shorter time frame. The State shall not produce the  
14 Protected Material in response to such compulsory process or public records request unless the  
15 State deems that it is required by law to do so and provides 10 business days’ notice of its intent  
16 to do so to the Designating Party, unless state statute, or court order or other public adjudicatory  
17 body requires that the State produce the Protected Material in a shorter time frame. However, if a  
18 State denies a public records or similar request and the denial is not challenged, the State does not  
19 need to provide notice pursuant to this paragraph. If Protected Material is requested for disclosure  
20 under a state’s public information act or the equivalent, this Order prohibits disclosure to the  
21 extent the state’s public information act or the equivalent provides an exception for disclosure of  
22 information protected by court order. Nothing contained herein shall alter or limit the obligations  
23 of a State that may be imposed by statute or court order regarding the disclosure of documents  
24 and information supplied to the State.

11. **A NON-PARTY'S PROTECTED MATERIAL SOUGHT TO BE PRODUCED IN THIS LITIGATION**

(a) The terms of this Order are applicable to information produced by a Non-Party in this action and designated as "CONFIDENTIAL" or "HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL – ATTORNEYS' EYES ONLY." Such information produced by Non-Parties in connection with this litigation is protected by the remedies and relief provided by this Order. Nothing in these provisions should be construed as prohibiting a Non-Party from seeking additional protections.

(b) In the event that a Party is required, by a valid discovery request, to produce a Non-Party's confidential information in its possession, and the Party is subject to an agreement with the Non-Party not to produce the Non-Party's confidential information, then the Party shall:

1. promptly notify in writing the Requesting Party and the Non-Party that some or all of the information requested is subject to a confidentiality agreement with a Non-Party;

2. promptly provide the Non-Party with a copy of the Stipulated Protective Order in this Litigation, the relevant discovery request(s), and a reasonably specific description of the information requested; and

3. make the information requested available for inspection by the Non-Party.

(c) If the Non-Party fails to object or seek a protective order from this Court within 14 days of receiving the notice and accompanying information, the Receiving Party may produce the Non-Party's confidential information responsive to the discovery request. If the Non-Party timely objects or seeks a protective order, the Receiving Party shall not produce any information in its possession or control that is subject to the confidentiality agreement with the Non-Party before a determination by the Court.<sup>4</sup> Absent a Court order to the contrary, the Non-

<sup>4</sup> The purpose of this provision is to alert the interested parties to the existence of confidentiality rights of a Non-Party and to afford the Non-Party an opportunity to protect its confidentiality interests in this court.

1 Party shall bear the burden and expense of seeking protection in this Court of its Protected  
2 Material.

3 **12. UNAUTHORIZED DISCLOSURE OF PROTECTED MATERIAL**

4 If a Receiving Party learns that, by inadvertence or otherwise, it has disclosed Protected  
5 Material to any person or in any circumstance not authorized under this Stipulated Protective  
6 Order, the Receiving Party must immediately (a) notify in writing the Designating Party of the  
7 unauthorized disclosures, (b) use its best efforts to retrieve all unauthorized copies of the  
8 Protected Material, (c) inform the person or persons to whom unauthorized disclosures were  
9 made of all the terms of this Order, and (d) request such person or persons to execute the  
10 “Acknowledgment and Agreement to Be Bound” that is attached hereto as Exhibit A.

11 Unauthorized or inadvertent disclosure shall not change the confidentiality designation  
12 status of any disclosed material or waive the right to maintain the disclosed material as  
13 “CONFIDENTIAL” or “HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL - ATTORNEYS’ EYES ONLY.” In  
14 addition, for the avoidance of doubt, if Protected Material is disclosed to any person or in any  
15 circumstance not authorized under this Stipulated Protective Order, the Designating Party  
16 reserves all rights to seek further appropriate relief from the Court.

17 **13. PRODUCTION OF PRIVILEGED OR OTHERWISE PROTECTED MATERIAL**

18 When a Producing Party gives notice to Receiving Parties that certain produced material is  
19 subject to a claim of privilege or other protection, the obligations of the Receiving Parties are  
20 those set forth in Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 26(b)(5)(B). This provision is not intended to  
21 modify whatever procedure may be established in an e-discovery order that provides for  
22 production without prior privilege review. Pursuant to Federal Rule of Evidence 502(d) and (e),  
23 the production of a privileged or work-product-protected document is not a waiver of privilege or  
24 protection from discovery in this case or in any other federal or state proceeding. For example,  
25 the mere production of privileged or work-product-protected documents in this case as part of a  
26 mass production is not itself a waiver in this case or any other federal or state proceeding.

1 **14. MISCELLANEOUS**

2 14.1 Right to Further Relief. Nothing in this Order abridges the right of any person to  
 3 seek its modification by the Court in the future. Furthermore, without application to the Court,  
 4 any party that is a beneficiary of the protections of this Order may enter a written agreement  
 5 releasing any other party hereto from one or more requirements of this Order even if the conduct  
 6 subject to the release would otherwise violate the terms herein.

7 14.2 Right to Assert Other Objections. By stipulating to the entry of this Protective  
 8 Order no Party waives any right it otherwise would have to object to disclosing or producing any  
 9 information or item on any ground not addressed in this Stipulated Protective Order. Similarly, no  
 10 Party waives any right to object on any ground to use in evidence of any of the material covered  
 11 by this Protective Order.

12 14.3 Export Control. Disclosure of Protected Material shall be subject to all applicable  
 13 laws and regulations relating to the export of technical data contained in such Protected Material,  
 14 including the release of such technical data to foreign persons or nationals in the United States or  
 15 elsewhere. Upon notice that a Party seeks to remove certain Protected Material from the United  
 16 States, the Producing Party shall be responsible for identifying any such controlled technical data,  
 17 and the Receiving Party shall take measures necessary to ensure compliance.

18 14.4 Filing Protected Material. Without written permission from the Designating Party  
 19 or a Court order secured after appropriate notice to all interested persons, a Party may not file in  
 20 the public record in this action any Protected Material. A Party that seeks to file under seal any  
 21 Protected Material must comply with Civil Local Rule 79-5. Protected Material may only be filed  
 22 under seal pursuant to a Court order authorizing the sealing of the specific Protected Material at  
 23 issue. Pursuant to Civil Local Rule 79-5, a sealing order will issue only upon a request  
 24 establishing that the Protected Material at issue is privileged, protectable as a trade secret, or  
 25 otherwise entitled to protection under the law. If a Receiving Party's request to file Protected  
 26 Material under seal pursuant to Civil Local Rule 79-5(e) is denied by the Court, then the  
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1 Receiving Party may file the Protected Material in the public record pursuant to Civil Local Rule  
2 79-5(e)(2) unless otherwise instructed by the Court.

3 14.5 Agreement Upon Execution. Each of the Parties agrees to be bound by the terms of  
4 this Stipulated Protective Order as of the date counsel for such party executes this Stipulated  
5 Protective Order, even if prior to entry of this Order by the Court.

6 **15. FINAL DISPOSITION**

7 Within 60 days after the final disposition of this action, as defined in paragraph 4, each  
8 Receiving Party must return all Protected Material to the Producing Party or destroy such  
9 material. As used in this subdivision, “all Protected Material” includes all copies, abstracts,  
10 compilations, summaries, and any other format reproducing or capturing any of the Protected  
11 Material. Whether the Protected Material is returned or destroyed, the Receiving Party must  
12 submit a written certification to the Producing Party (and, if not the same person or entity, to the  
13 Designating Party) by the 60-day deadline that (1) identifies (by category, where appropriate) all  
14 the Protected Material that was returned or destroyed and (2) affirms that the Receiving Party has  
15 not retained any copies, abstracts, compilations, summaries or any other format reproducing or  
16 capturing any of the Protected Material. Notwithstanding this provision, Counsel are entitled to  
17 retain an archival copy of all pleadings, motions and trial briefs (including all supporting and  
18 opposing papers and exhibits thereto), written discovery requests and responses (and exhibits  
19 thereto), deposition transcripts (and exhibits thereto), trial transcripts, and exhibits offered or  
20 introduced into evidence at any hearing or trial, and their attorney work product which refers or is  
21 related to any CONFIDENTIAL and “HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL – ATTORNEYS’ EYES  
22 ONLY” information for archival purposes only. Any such archival copies that contain or  
23 constitute Protected Material remain subject to this Protective Order as set forth in Section 4  
24 (DURATION). Notwithstanding the foregoing in this Paragraph 15, the Plaintiff States agree to  
25 return, destroy, or maintain all Protected Material in accordance with this Agreement subject to  
26 any restrictions contained in any of the States’ document retention laws or policies.

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10 **ORDER**

11 Pursuant to stipulation, it is so ordered, except that in those cases where the stipulated protective  
12 order conflicts with the Court's standing orders (e.g., with respect to the filing of discovery  
13 motions), the Court's standing orders will control.

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15 DATED: 10/22/2021

  
HON. JAMES DONATO  
United States District Court Judge

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I, Brian Christensen, am the ECF User whose ID and password are being used to file this document. In compliance with Civil Local Rule 5-1(i)(3), I hereby attest that each of the signatories identified above has concurred in this filing.

/s/ Brian Christensen

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EXHIBIT AACKNOWLEDGMENT AND AGREEMENT TO BE BOUND

I, \_\_\_\_\_ [print or type full name], of \_\_\_\_\_ [print or type full address], declare under penalty of perjury that I have read in its entirety and understand the Stipulated Protective Order that was issued by the United States District Court for the Northern District of California on [date] in the case of \_\_\_\_\_ **[insert formal name of the case and the number and initials assigned to it by the court]**. I agree to comply with and to be bound by all the terms of this Stipulated Protective Order and I understand and acknowledge that failure to so comply could expose me to sanctions and punishment in the nature of contempt. I solemnly promise that I will not disclose in any manner any information or item that is subject to this Stipulated Protective Order to any person or entity except in strict compliance with the provisions of this Order.

I further agree to submit to the jurisdiction of the United States District Court for the Northern District of California for the purpose of enforcing the terms of this Stipulated Protective Order, even if such enforcement proceedings occur after termination of this action.

I hereby appoint \_\_\_\_\_ [print or type full name] of \_\_\_\_\_ [print or type full address and telephone number] as my California agent for service of process in connection with this action or any proceedings related to enforcement of this Stipulated Protective Order.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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